

~~SECRET~~

NSC BRIEFING NOTES

13 May 1954

THE FRENCH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND INDOCHINA  
POLICY

- I. When Assembly reconvened on 11 May the Laniel cabinet decided to have vote of confidence on question of holding an immediate Indochina debate.
  - A. Vote scheduled for 13 May, starting at 9:00 A.M. (Washington time)
  - B. American embassy less optimistic about this vote than it was about similar vote on 6 May -- because of Assembly's response to attacks on Indochina policy in 11 May session.
- Consensus is that Laniel will survive by narrow margin -- largely because Geneva still offers hope.

DOCUMENT NO. 8  
NO CHANGE IN CLASS. ☐  
DECLASSIFIED TO: TS SC  
DATE: 1-2-80  
AUTH: HR 70-2  
REVIEWER: [ ]

~~SECRET~~